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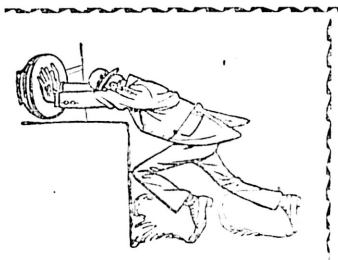

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RAFFLE—Pony cart and harness, the nicest little rig in the city; just the thing for ladies or children; a few more chances left, the outfit can be seen in front of Hartman & Co., 72 Yates street. ap25

LOST—A small grey purse, containing $4 50. Finder will confer a favor by returning same to this office. ap25

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Monday, April 26th, at 2 o'clock,

At 68 Quadra Street,

FURNITURE & EFFECTS

Oak and rattan rockers, centre table, chairs, dining table, hub dining chairs, bed lounge, light ash, cheval bed set, mattresses, carpets, hanging and hall lamps, crockery, lace curtains, tricycle, cook stove, utensils, etc. *Household Sewing Machine*, in good order.

CABINET GRAND PIANO,

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All goods must be taken away not later than 6 o'clock day of sale.

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ap24 W. T. HARDAKER, Auctioneer.

TO CONSTANTINOPLE.

Greek Warships Are Preparing for a Dash Through the Dardanelles.

If Turkish Arms Have Won, Why Is Edhem Pasha in Disgrace?

ATHENS, April 24.—It is rumored that the Greek warships are preparing to make a dash through the Dardanelles.

LONDON, April 24.—The last few days have developed a dramatic situation. The sudden removal of Edhem Pasha, the Turkish commander-in-chief in Macedonia, and the fact that he has been replaced by Osman Pasha, the hero of Plevna, has caused great surprise in view of glowing accounts which the correspondents on the field sent of Edhem Pasha's brilliantly conceived plan of campaign, which was represented as working like a machine, and which gave the world the impression that Turkey had found in him a second von Moltke.

The splendid work of the Greek fleet in destroying the Turkish war stores is admitted to have considerably changed the aspect of affairs. With their stores destroyed and railway communication with Salonica cut, the Turkish army may soon find itself in a serious position. It is stated now that Edhem Pasha is in disgrace; that he has had little previous experience in warfare, that he is a creature of Izzet Bey, and that he fell when that favorite of the Sultan went down. It is also stated that the Sultan has hitherto been afraid to send his best generals, such as Achmet, Fuadand and Reschid, pashas, to the front, the latter being kept in the most remote provinces. No remarkable development, however, is expected in the appointment of Osman Pasha to command the Turkish forces operating against the Greeks in Thessaly, as apart from the danger of swapping horses at the present critical juncture, Osman Pasha will be hampered by the Sultan's jealous determinations to direct the military operations from the Vildiz Kiosk. From Athens it is stated that discontent exists there at the fact that King George has not yet started for the front. His reserve is considered excessive. The feeling at Athens against Russia still runs high. The Greek government has rejected Russia's offer to protect the Greek orthodox in Turkey, Russia's eagerness to do so having caused doubts as to her motives, and the government of Greece has now begged Great Britain to protect the orthodox.

PARIS, April 24.—It is stated in a despatch from Constantinople this afternoon that Osman Pasha's plan of campaign is to recall all the Turkish forces in Epirus, leaving only a strong garrison at Janina, and abandon the rest of the province. The Turkish army in Epirus would thus be able to effect a junction with the Turkish army in Thessaly by marching northward around the mountains dividing the two provinces. Osman Pasha would eventually have the whole Turkish force at his disposal, and would be able to deal a decisive blow.

AUCTION

FURNITURE, STEAM ENGINE, BOILER, ETC.

Wednesday, April 28, at 11 a.m.

I am instructed by Mrs. Scroggs, to sell at her residence, Bellot Street, near Cook Street,

Oak sideboard, extension tables and dining chairs, carpets, sofa, tables, window curtains, blinds, rugs, lamps, cupboards, hall tables, wicker chairs, sofa, tea tables, screens, ornaments fire screen, stair carpets, bedroom suites, double, ¾ and single spring mattresses, blankets, pillows, child's cot, cradle and high chairs, chest drawers, Albion Range No. 8, patent knife cleaner, filter, scales, crockery, dish covers, lamps etc., 3 lawn mowers, and garden tools, patent sheet iron heating stoves, etc., *a fine toned Cabinet Piano*, by Goodwin & Jordan, THE ENGINE, BOILER, SHAFT, air and feed pump, shaft and propeller of the wrecked steamer "Spinster," all in good order, and may be inspected at Kennedy's wharf, next to Warren's wharf, James Bay; also a back geared lathe, 5 in. centre, 3 ft. bed for wood or metal, turning and carpenters' tools, slide rest, cylinder oil feeder, the sails belonging to the 5-ton yacht "Petrel." Terms cash.

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Thursday Night, April 29.

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Seats on Sale at T. N. Hibben's.

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MONDAY, APRIL 26TH, 1897,

Concert at 8 p.m. sharp; dancing at 10 p.m. Tickets $1.00 per couple, to be had at the door. Bantly's orchestra of five pieces has been engaged for the dancing.

All members of the Order are respectfully requested to assemble in their hall, Douglas street, TO-DAY, Sunday, the 25th inst., at 10:15 a.m., when they will march in procession to Centennial Methodist Church. Members are requested to bring their badges and gloves.

Visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend.

ap24 A. SHERET, Secretary.

CRUEL PETERS.

He Flogged and Hanged Negroes and Is Dismissed From the German Service.

BERLIN, April 24.—The indictment of Dr. Peters, the German-African commissioner, whose trial on charges of ill-treating African natives has been heard in private before the disciplinary court for the German protectorate, charges him with arbitrarily hanging a negro boy in 1891 and with hanging a girl in 1892, with unjustly making war upon Chief Malalia in November, 1891, and with furnishing incorrect reports to the superior authorities.

Dr. Peters protested that he was not guilty, and affirmed that he believed he had the power of life or death over all blacks on the station except those who were members of the German colonial force. He admitted having undertaken extensive campaigns against his instructions, but he contended the situation was then dangerous, as an attack on the part of the Waronges was feared, and he claimed he was obliged to inflict the death penalty in order to save German prestige when the station house was broken into, because he had previously announced that the penalty of death would be the punishment for so doing, the question of sex being quite subordinate. Dr. Peters admitted he had flogged three negroes, but he denied he had executed his concubine for adultery, explaining that she was hanged for conspiracy with a native chief against the expedition.

Lieuts. Pachmann and Jancke testified in support of Dr. Peters. Dr. Peters was sentenced to-day to dismissal from the imperial service and to pay the costs of the trial.

NOT A LOCAL TROUBLE.

Turkish-Grecian War Will Change the Political Aspect in Europe.

BERLIN, April 24.—The war between Greece and Turkey monopolizes public attention in Germany. The opinion is expressed in political and diplomatic circles that the war will not remain localized very long. It is stated in government circles that Germany's interests have already been vitally engaged and that it seems to be a foregone conclusion that, whatever is the final outcome of the present trouble, political readjustment of the Oriental question will also lead to a readjustment of the powers' alliances. The entente between Germany and Austria on one side and Russia and France on the other, it is believed will become much closer in the near future. The pour parlers between Prince Hohenlohe, the imperial chancellor, and M. Hanotaux, the French minister of foreign affairs in Paris, while only touching upon the mutual attitude of Germany and France in the Oriental question, were significant, as also is the visit of Emperor William to Vienna and that of Emperor Francis Joseph to St. Petersburg.

HE SAID "IF."

Robidoux Will Be Premier of Quebec Should Liberals Win.

MONTREAL, April 24.—In a speech at Chautauguay yesterday in behalf of Hon. J. Robidoux, who was attorney-general in the Mercer cabinet, Mr. H. J. Cloran, of this city, said Robidoux would be premier of the province of Quebec if the Liberals won.

KILTIES WILL TRY.

Toronto Highlanders Enter for the Islington Tournament.

TORONTO, April 24.—(Special)—The 46th Highlanders have entered a team of men in the various events of the military tournament at Islington, England, beginning May 27. They will be the only representatives of Canada there.

PICKING UP.

C.P.R. Traffic Earnings Are Getting Larger.

MONTREAL, April 24.—Canadian Pacific traffic earnings for the week ending April 21 were $366,000; for the same week last year, $335,000.

Health and vigor are essential for success. Therefore make yourself strong and healthy by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

An Antidote for Asthma.

Mr. Albert Reid, Angus, Ont., was for over two years a sufferer from Asthma. A half bottle of Yellow Oil cured him completely, and although that was some time ago, he has never been troubled with the same complaint since.

English garden syringes at Cheapside.*

When dizzy or drowsy take BEECHAM'S PILLS

Neither care nor expense has been spared to make Rambler bicycles the best that can be produced. Weiler Bros., agents. x

MILITARY COLLEGE.

Move to Make It More Popular With People of Moderate Means.

The Highest Graduates Will Receive Employment on Government Work.

OTTAWA, April 24.—(Special)—The government have made an important change governing admission to the Royal Military College, which is calculated to popularize that institution. Fees are reduced from $200 to $100, and the term of tuition from four to three years. The cost of tuition, including everything, drops from $100 to $75, bringing the institution within the reach of people of moderate means. More attention is to be devoted to instruction in civil engineering and mathematical science. Fifty per cent. of the highest graduates will annually receive appointments of a military character under the Dominion government. The next entrance examination is on August 15, and applications will be received up to August 1.

The London Times to-day cabled congratulations to Laurier on his tariff.

The Kootenay Coal Company, the promoters of which are nearly all Ottawa people, is incorporated by letters patent with a capital of $1,500,000.

Nearly all the Ontario veterinarians who were examined for positions as veterinary inspectors under the government showed a lamentable want of knowledge in their profession.

Mgr. Merry Del Val arrived to-day and took up his residence at Sir Donald Smith's. He will be here some time.

A GAME OF CARDS.

Cecil Rhodes and Kruger Trying to Euchre Each Other.

LONDON, April 24.—A sudden revival of interest in the Transvaal is noticeable here. Lord Rosemead, the retiring governor of Cape Colony and high commissioner in British South Africa, has left Captown for England, and Cecil Rhodes is taking full advantage of his absence. Yesterday, in a speech replying to an address welcoming him back to Capetown, Mr. Rhodes described his conflict with President Kruger, of the Transvaal republic, as a game of cards that had been quite fairly played. Mr. Alfred Milner, the new governor and British high commissioner, who sailed from England a few days ago, has not arrived in Cape Town, and there is consequently nobody there to watch and control Mr. Rhodes. The return of Mr. Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, to London yesterday from his Easter holidays and the appearance of a British squadron in Delagoa Bay are associated with the South African complications. It is thought here that Mr. Rhodes is prepared to resume his game of cards, playing his hand independently of the British government.

DRUNK WITH ARMENIAN BLOOD.

The Turk Is Fighting Like a Fanatic Against Greek Christianity.

LONDON, April 24.—The Constantinople correspondent of the Speaker says: "The Turkish armies ought to be in Athens within a month. For the Turks this is strictly a religious war. They are full of fanaticism and drunk with the blood of the Armenians. The idea that the Sultan, even if he should be victorious, will come out of war readier than now to abdicate his power, comes from a mistaken view of his character and his policy. It does not follow from his fear of assassination and his apparent vacillation in dealing with the ambassadors, that he is a weak man without a fixed policy. On the contrary, he is a very strong man, with the indomitable purpose to restore the power and glory of the Caliphat. Success in this war will make him stronger and more defiant than ever. It will arouse the courage and fanaticism of the Moslems throughout the world. Already the Fellaheen, as well as the Pasha of Egypt are contributing money for the war against the infidels and Mecca has appealed to India to come to the Sultan's aid."

SEEM TO LIKE IT.

"St. James Gazette" Pleased at the Prospects of the New Tariff.

LONDON, April 24.—The newspapers here hail the Canadian tariff with delight. The St. James Gazette regards it as the most important news of the day, and as presenting most agreeable prospects to Great Britain. The Globe says, referring to the recent speech of Mr. Fielding: "Mr. Fielding's speech will cause a thrill of patriotic enthusiasm in a million hearts."

HE WAS A VETERAN.

Colonel of the Forty-Ninth Is Dead.

BELLEVILLE, April 24.—Col. James Brown, commanding officer of the Forty-Ninth battalion Hastings Rifles, died this morning in his 71st year.

Spring is full of terrors to all whose constitution is not able to resist the sudden changes of temperature and other insalubrities of the season. To put the system in condition to overcome these evils, nothing is so effective as Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Take it now.

Ten cases of clothing just received; come and examine our prices before you buy anywhere else. The workingmen's friend, 109, 111 Government street. x

KOOTENAY MINES.

New Yorkers Are Told About the Wonderful Mineral to Be Found.

A Good Word Also for the Way British Columbia Is Governed.

ROSSLAND, B.C., April 10.—One of the first questions one asks about a new mining camp is: "Where is it?" To answer that question as regards the British Columbia mining country, it can be said that it is principally comprised within what is known as the Kootenay district. That is, the southeastern county of the province of British Columbia, extending from the summit of the Rocky mountains westward about one hundred miles along the northern boundary of the United States, crossing the Purcell mountains, and extending to the summit of the gold mountains on the west, and extending from the boundary line north nearly two hundred miles. This district is divided into thirteen mining districts, for the convenience of miners in making their filings of claims, and in convenient recording of transfers, etc. The southwest corner of this district is called the Trail Creek mining division, and within its borders are the now famous towns of Rossland and Trail. The former sprang from a mere handful of shacks two years ago, into an incorporated city now, with five or six thousand inhabitants, broad streets and some creditable buildings, including some brick blocks.

The town, or rather the city, of Rossland, is by far the largest town in the Kootenay district, and is the objective point toward which all, or nearly all, visitors in that mining district direct their steps. It is the business and financial centre of the Kootenay, although it is by no means the only, or even the principal, mining division. The Slocan division, or, as it is more commonly called, "The Slocan country," lying about seventy-five miles farther north, leads in the number of shipping mines and amount of product, and in some other respects.

One reaches the Kootenay mining country by railroads from the south, or by rail and water from the north. The principal travel thus far has come from the south over the Northern Pacific from the east or west to Spokane (or, as it used to be called, Spokane Falls), and thence north by the Spokane Falls and Northern Railway. The Canadian Pacific has so fully recognized the advantages of the southern route via the Northern Pacific that it is about to build a short cut extending from McLeod directly west, crossing the Rocky mountains through the Crow's Nest Pass, and entering the Kootenay as near the United States border as it can. As it is now, nearly all the traffic from Eastern Canada, especially from points like Toronto, Hamilton and other southern Ontario points, go over the Northern Pacific via Spokane, thence north. Another reason for this is the fact that Spokane is, and for years has been, the real business and money centre, from which all the early mining enterprises in the Kootenay were carried on. Many of the leading companies were formed in Spokane, with their principal offices there. Spokane men took up the Kootenay mining prospects long before the Canadians themselves dreamed what riches they had in their domains. In fact, it has only been recently that Canadian enterprise and money have begun to take hold of the subject at all seriously. But since last summer and fall, and more especially this year, many Canadians and Englishmen are becoming interested in the Kootenay.

There are at this time far more Americans interested in these mines than there are Canadians; and that condition is likely to obtain for some time, unless the provincial parliament shall pass some hostile legislation. At present an American can hold title to mining claims equally with a Canadian. Citizenship is not requisite; but everyone must take out what is termed a "free miner's license," which costs $5, and is good for one year, in order to be able to hold an interest in any mine or mineral claim. This, however, does not apply to a mere holder of shares of stock in an incorporated company.

Railroads in the Kootenay are of recent origin. Only a few years ago the rivers and lakes formed the sole means of transportation and travel; but with the discovery of the rich mines came the necessity for the railroads; so that now one can travel almost anywhere by rail and steamer. There are several short lines of railroad now in process of construction, to open more advantageously the different portions of the district, for shipping. Much of the ore is now shipped across the border to smelters in the United States, some going to Tacoma, some to Everett, some to Butte, Great Falls, and some as far as Omaha.

The ore mined in the vicinity of Rossland is what is termed a low-grade copper ore, running in value on an average of about $30 to $40 a ton. Much, of course, is much lower, and some runs higher. The ore shipped in 1896 averaged about $35 a ton. It is found in the shape of iron and copper pyrites, sulphides and arsenides, in a rebellious rock, composed of granite, porphyry and diorite. There are two or three properties that are partially free milling; but even in those they are obliged to save a portion of the gold by concentrating and smelting. The ore bodies are large, sometimes seeming more like a great rock body impregnated with gold than like lodes or veins. The two noted mines at this point are the Le Roi, which has already paid $325,000 in dividends, and the War Eagle, which has paid $187,000. There are many shipping mines around Rossland, and others are being rapidly developed. The smelter at Trail has recently been enlarged so that its daily capacity is over five hundred tons. A new smelter is practically an assured thing at Northport, just across the border in the state of Washington.

The Slocan country is making great strides forward, and is rapidly gaining the reputation of being one of the most remarkable silver-lead mining sections in the world. There are now over fifty shipping mines, and by midsummer there will be thirty or forty more. The ore from these Slocan mines is principally a galena, or what is termed a "wet ore," containing a large percentage of lead, often running as high as 75 per cent, or 1,500 pounds of lead to the ton of crude ore, and carrying from 100 to 500 or 600 ounces of silver per ton. There were 18,215 tons of ore shipped from the Slocan last year, yielding 2,141,088 ounces of silver, or an average of 117 ounces per ton, and 19,210,666 pounds of lead, or 52 per cent lead. These Slocan mines have nearly all paid from the grass roots, so that their owners have not been called upon to put up any large sums of money to develop them.

It is a matter of general interest to know something about the leading mines in a camp. Take the Slocan Star for instance, it has already paid its owners $350,000 dividends, and its stock, which is 50 cents per share at par, is quoted at $2.55, with none obtainable at that figure. The Idaho has paid $152,000 dividends, the Reco $100,000, the Cariboo $140,000, the Rambler $40,000, and several others have paid good dividends. The Payne is shipping 60 tons a day. One great advantage the Slocan has over the Rossland country is the comparatively small cost of mining its ores. In the Slocan the ore is almost entirely mined through tunnels, costing from $5 to $8 a foot, while in Rossland it costs from $20 to $25 a foot. Freight rates are a little higher in the Slocan at present, but with the further development of railroad connections, that item will be practically equalized. The net returns from the Slocan ores is about an average of three times as much as from the Rossland ores.

The rush this year is going to be into the Slocan. The word "rush" is used advisedly, for it is no longer rumor that thousands of people from all through the Eastern portion of Canada and the United States are going to visit the Kootenay country to inspect and invest in the mines. Of course there will be "wild-cat" schemes; but there have been so many warnings that it would seem that people would learn to be careful. It is a remarkable feature of this Slocan, and in fact of the whole Kootenay country, that in almost every instance in which work has been started on a showing of ore it has fully justified further development; and it is stated as an established fact that there has never been a tunnel put in one hundred feet which started in ore that has not developed good paying ore in bodies sufficient to warrant expenditure.

While the winters are not severe, as the country is west of the Rockies, and so within the influence of the mild "chinook wind," the snow falls deep, and lies on the ground until late in the spring. Prospecting cannot be begun until late in May, and in some sections until July. But the snow does not interfere with work in mines after they are started. In fact, where the mines are up the sides of the mountains any considerable distance, the ore is got down much easier on the snow than on bare ground. Rawhiding is an expensive way to haul ore down steep trails. A raw cowhide will easily hold a ton of ore in sacks. The edges of the hide are then laced together and a mule is hitched on, and the outfit practically slides down hill, the mule doing the steering. Care must be exercised to avoid snow slides. Some portions of the mountain sides are particularly dangerous, as there is not enough timber to hold the snow, and it gets started and carries everything before it.

There have been many mishaps this winter, and several men have been killed. Harry Hughes was carried a mile and a half in the Bluebird slide, and, strange to say, came out alive, although in such a dazed condition that he could not tell his story for weeks afterwards. A miner was caught in the London Hill slide and carried down the mountain side with all the violence and speed of an avalanche, and was found almost suffocated, but still alive, by his comrades, who fortunately happened to see what they supposed to be his glove sticking up through the snow, and which, upon examination, proved to have his hand in it. He said that he could hear them talking for some time before they stooped to examine the glove. He, of course, did not know that his hand was sticking up above the snow, so did not try to move it; in fact, he was nearer dead than alive when they dug him out. At the Ibex mine a man named Joe Gillis was caught in a slide which, after plunging down the slide, crashed through the ice of a little lake, carrying him to the bottom, and a second slide followed in a few minutes, covering him up so that he was beyond all hope of recovery. The entrance of the Noble Five tunnel is in the line of a slide, and to protect it, they have constructed a low, sloping snow-shed, which is timbered strong enough to carry the slide over.

Living is not unreasonably expensive in this district; in fact, considering that everything has to be brought in, and that it is called a "tin-can country," the prices of board and lodging are remarkably low.

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Dated 23rd day of April, 1897.
By order of the Trustees.

C. DUBOIS MASON,
ap23 Secretary.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

A special general meeting of the shareholders of the British Columbia Coal, Petroleum & Mineral Company, Limited Liability, will be held at the Company's office, 45 Fort street, in the city of Victoria, B.C., on Saturday, the 22nd day of May, A.D. 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, to confirm certain agreements made for and on behalf of the Company, and to authorize the Directors to sell the whole of the assets of the Company to the Kootenay Coal Company, Limited, for fully paid up shares in the said Kootenay Coal Company, Limited.

Dated this 21st day of April, 1897.

F. E. PEMBERTON,
ap21 Secretary.

NOTICE.

The property of the Consolidated Railway Company, comprising the Electric Railway and Lighting systems in the cities of Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster, has been purchased from the Yorkshire Guarantee and Securities Corporation, of Huddersfield, England, the trustees for the debenture holders by the "British Columbia Electric Railways Limited," of London, England.

Possession has been taken by the new Company as and from the 15th inst.

All accounts due to the Receiver must be paid to the Manager for the Receiver, Vancouver, or his agent, J. B. McKilligan, Victoria, and all accounts against the Receiver must be rendered by the 1st day of May next.

J. BUNTZEN,
Manager for the Receiver.
Vancouver, 15th April, 1897. ap21

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its present sitting, for a private bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degrees of longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia; with power to construct, maintain and operate branch lines, and all necessary bridges, ferries and wharves, and to construct, own and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other houses or aids from the Governments of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges; and also, for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the city of Victoria, British Columbia, this 9th day of March, 1897.

E. E. BILLINGHURST,
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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Vancouver Likely at Last to Have a Tram Line to Brockton Point.

War Eagle's New Power Plant Works Like a Charm—Hello! Rossland.

VANCOUVER, April 24.—(Special)—The light and railway committee had a meeting yesterday with Mr. Buntzen, of the tramway company, and asked that a branch line be built on Pender street to connect with the park. The tramway company will consider the question and present a proposal to the city on the subject in a few days.

The local military companies go to Westminster to-day to join with the Royal City church parade to Holy Trinity cathedral.

The C. P. R. trackmen have had their pay raised ten cents per day.

The school trustees have decided to do the excavating for the West End school by day labor.

WESTMINSTER.

The lodges of the I.O.O.F. in this city will celebrate the 78th anniversary of the order by attending divine service on Sunday next at Olivet Baptist church; the pastor, Rev. J. H. Best, will preach the sermon.—Columbian.

Captain Young, of the steamer Bon Accord, who was in the city yesterday to get further assistance in raising his steamer, obtained what he wanted through the kindness of Mr. C. E. Roy, C.E., engineer in charge of the Fraser river survey. On receiving from the captain a clear statement of the situation, Mr. Roy at once saw the necessity for immediate action and ordered the government steamer Samson to go to the assistance of the Bon Accord.—Columbian.

ROSSLAND.

The Spokane & British Columbia Telegraph & Telephone Company is now engaged in the construction of a telephone line which, when completed, will connect Rossland with Spokane. The material for the construction of the line is strung along between Northport and Spokane. One gang is engaged on the line from Colville south, another from Marcus north, and a third is at work in the vicinity of Loon Lake. It is expected that the line will be completed and in working order by May 1. The Spokane Chronicle is authority for the statement that D. C. Corbin will also construct a telephone line along the Spokane & Northern and Red Mountain railways from Spokane to Rossland.—The Rosslander.

At the War Eagle the new power plant is found to work satisfactorily. The pump cleared the water out of the shaft in half an hour after it began operations. At present a tramway is being constructed from the sawmill to the power plant to transport slabwood, which will be used for fuel for the boilers of the power plant. As soon as all the conveniences are arranged for, work on the War Eagle will progress in a rapid manner.—The Rosslander.

FAST KOOTENAY.

A Rush Will Be Made to the Mines This Spring.

"The East Kootenay will attract more attention this summer than any other section of British Columbia," said a well known mining man yesterday. "I look for more people to go there than went into Rossland last summer. The rush has commenced even now, and hundreds of people are going in from Kalispell on the Great Northern and from Golden on the Canadian Pacific, while the first boats up from Jennings, Mont., will be crowded. In fact, there are more applications for passage than can be accommodated. It is a great country, and promises greater mineral resources than any section I have ever visited. In the area embraced within the limits of Golden, Windermere and Fort Steele districts there is a wonderful variety of mineral—coal, galena, gold quartz and placers. One has only to take his choice. In nearly all of the streams flowing into the upper Kootenay there is placer gold. In the district about the North Star and Sullivan group mines silver-lead ores are found, and it also abounds in the section east of Moyie lake, while free milling quartz is found on Perry creek and on the Wild Horse. Farther east, on Elk river and its tributaries, there are large deposits of coal."

"What is the cause of this sudden rush to the country?"

"It is largely due to the fact that construction of the Crow's Nest Pass railway is assured, and it will not be long before the work will commence. This road means much to that section.

"There is a general belief that the great smelting centre of the province will be in East Kootenay, the reasons assigned being that its nearness to fuel supply will make it particularly desirable for that purpose."

"How do you regard the mines of Perry creek?"

"I regard them highly. The ore is absolutely free milling, and so far as developed it has maintained the characteristics found on the surface. I will say this: At even $8 a ton a 100-stamp mill could turn out $3,200 of money daily, but I believe the ore will average better than $8. There will never arise a question of quantity, for claims are staked for a distance of seven miles, and most of them on ledges of the same general character."—Spokesman-Review.

No small objection which young folks had in the old-time spring-medicines was their nauseousness. In our day, this objection is removed and Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the most powerful and popular of blood-purifiers, is as pleasant to the palate as a cordial.

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HURRAH FOR WAR!

Shouted the Greeks Who Left for Home to Fight.

NEW YORK, April 24.—The wildest war enthusiasm prevailed in the Greek colony in Roosevelt and Madison streets this morning. A great crowd surged about the Parthenon restaurant, the headquarters of the Greeks. The place was filled all night with Greeks writing letters to friends in the fatherland, announcing their departure for the seat of war. The latest cable dispatches were listened to with the keenest interest, and every item favorable to the cause of the Hellenes was received with delight. "Zeito O polamos" (long live the war) burst from a thousand Greek throats as the flag of the Hellenes was unfurled. It seemed to be a signal, for instantly from all sides began to pour in big, brawny, grim-looking fellows wearing buttons which bore a portrait of George I, and badges of Greek colors inscribed "Zeito O polamos." For the most part they carried in their hands two flags, one of Greece and the other of America. There were 450 of them prepared to sail for the fatherland, and the tears rolled down the cheeks of the most enthusiastic ones who are compelled to wait. Shortly before 10 o'clock a procession was formed, and headed by a brass band it marched to the foot of Morton street, where La Champaign was waiting to cast off.

GOT THE HAY FEVER.

Daily Mail Thinks There Is Too Much Gush Over the United States Ambassador.

LONDON, April 24.—The reception accorded to Col. John Hay, the new United States ambassador to the court of St. James, has been most cordial on all sides. The newspapers have been most eulogistic.

The Daily News, after the praise of Col. Hay, says: "It would be useless to deny that he comes at a rather critical moment. A year ago Great Britain and the United States were on the brink of war, and the reception of the arbitration treaty has been a bitter disappointment to America's best friends in England. Col. Hay, of course, cannot influence the senate, but he will doubtless inform Secretary Sherman how strong is English wish for its speedy ratification."

The Daily Mail remarks: "There is something undignified in the gushing manner we welcome every gentleman the President is good enough to send. Does Col. Hay speak the truth when he talks about the affectionate greeting of millions of our kindred across the sea. We all know our kindred are anything but affectionate, and if Col. Hay seems too friendly a hundred American newspapers will call him to order."

WILLIAM'S WORDS.

He Would Hear the Duke But Perhaps He Might Not Heed the Advice.

CARLSRUHE, Baden, April 24.—The Emperor William of Germany to-day replying to an address made by the chief burgomaster, expressed the hope that the peace of Germany and Europe would be maintained, but his majesty pointed out that a strong army and navy was necessary to preserve the peace. Continuing the Emperor referred to the part which the Grand Duke of Baden had taken in the past in enhancing the might and glory of the empire and said he was always ready to listen to the Grand Duke's advice.

KEEPING COOL.

No Excitement Over the Manitoba By-Elections.

WINNIPEG, April 24.—(Special)—There is little or no excitement here over the Dominion by-elections next Tuesday for Winnipeg and Macdonald, both seats being conceded to the Liberals, as the Conservatives are not taking part in either contest.

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AN EXCELLENT RECORD.

It will be of public interest to review briefly some of the features of the last twelve months in provincial politics. Events succeed each other so rapidly in this Western country, and the public eye is so centered upon the material development of the Province that it is apt to lose sight of what has been done in the prosaic field of administration, and fail accurately to measure what is being accomplished in the more conspicuous arena of legislation. And yet an honest review of the political history of the last twelve months cannot fail to impress any one, whose judgment is not wholly warped by partizan prejudice, that the Hon. Mr. Turner and his colleagues richly deserve public confidence and support.

The last twelve months have been unprecedented in the history of British Columbia. The Province has enjoyed an era of remarkable mineral development, which has led to a great increase of population. Mining camps have sprung up, have developed as if by magic into towns, and even risen to the dignity of cities. This has necessitated the issuing of thousands of miners' licenses, the recording of thousands of claims, the construction of new roads, bridges and school houses, the policing of new communities and the establishment of machinery for the administration of the laws over a wide extent of country, much of it difficult of access and all filled with venturesome, determined men. This great task has been discharged without friction and without scandal. Persons familiar with life in mining towns in the United States never weary of praising the orderly and impartial manner in which the laws are administered and the government is carried on in the newly opened sections of this Province. The provincial ministers can point back with pride to the record of the year in this respect. If it does not bear testimony to the faithful and judicious exercise of ministerial powers, then nothing can. The first failure of justice has yet to be brought to light: the first instance of favoritism has yet to be disclosed; the first instance of negligence even has yet to be brought home to the government. We challenge successful contradiction of these statements.

We submit that this excellent showing is not the result of accident. It is the fruit of industry and an honest effort to do what is right. Much of the credit for the orderly condition of the mining districts is due to the people themselves; but the people well knew that the government stood ready with a strong hand to enforce the law and see that the right was done, and this knowledge has given a security to life and property in the mining camps of British Columbia which has never been equalled in the history of any such communities in America. We have made no claim of genius for the ministers, except the genius of hard work and honesty, and we think this will be conceded to them; but we might go further and claim that there has been a high type of statesmanship exhibited in the lightness yet firmness of the touch of government upon the mining districts. The iron hand in the velvet glove has been rarely better illustrated. The orderly and secure conditions prevailing in the communities referred to are a monument to the excellence of the administration of provincial affairs under circumstances without precedent in the history of the Province.

The work referred to have been in addition to the ordinary administration of affairs with which previous Provincial ministers have been charged, but the additional cost to the taxpayers has been small and the ordinary public service has been in no wise neglected. As an example, the institution of the Bureau of Mines may be cited. This invaluable department of the government has been organized and put in successful operation at very small cost. While this great additional responsibility has been cast upon the government, it has also had to deal with the erection of the parliament buildings, an important and troublesome piece of work, but of the manner in which it has been handled, the first adverse criticism has yet to be made.

In other lines important questions have arisen and been handled successfully, such as the determination of the ownership of the precious metals in the E. & N. railway grant, the right of the Province to tax the lands of the Victoria Lumber Company (previously decided adversely to the Province), and the settlement with the Dominion as to titles in the railway belt. The correspondence with the Dominion government as to the Songhees reserve has required much care. In addition to these things the administration of the criminal law, calling for the handling of over two hundred cases in the courts, has engaged the attention of the Attorney-General's department.

We ask impartial consideration for the record of administration, some of the salient points of which are indicated above. We claim it is a record which only needs to be understood and appreciated to gain for the ministers the confidence of the large majority of the people in every section of the Province. We point further to the fact that though the legislature has been many weeks in session, and though the fullest opportunity of investigation into every department of the government has been open to every member of the house, not a single instance of mal-administration or neglect has been brought home to the ministry. It is a splendid record, and we defy its impeachment.

When a review of the work accomplished comes to be written, the present session will be found to be the most notable one in the history of the Province. The immense volume of important public legislation which the government has passed or is prepared to lay before the house will hardly be appreciated until the laws have been published. The showing is monumental. We name some of the most important measures:

The Water Clauses Act.
The Companies Act.
The Companies Clauses Act.
The Lands Clauses Act.
The Farmers Institutes Act.
The Masters and Servants Act.
The Railway Aid Acts.
The Asylums Act.
The Small Debts Courts Act.
The Metalliferous Mines Act.

The list might be prolonged and other measures have yet to be brought down, some of which are of equal importance to most of the foregoing; but if nothing more were done than has already been accomplished, the present session would go into history as the most fruitful in valuable legislation since Confederation. We have not mentioned the revision of the statutes, for this was not prepared by the ministers, although the bill providing that the revision shall go into effect, subject to the enacting by the legislature at its next session of the new provisions, is a measure of great importance.

Turning briefly to the finances of the Province we find that these have been admirably administered. When the Finance Minister congratulated the house upon the favorable showing he was able to make he only did what the prosaic figures of the public accounts fully justify. For ten years the hon. Mr. Turner has held the portfolio of finance, and it is not too much to say that he has gained in that capacity the esteem and confidence even of his political opponents.

We congratulate the government upon the excellent record which the above facts discloses. And we especially congratulate the Province that at this critical period of its history its affairs have been in the hands of men so faithful and so fitted for their great responsibilities, and able, by the work of the present session, to give its development an impetus that will be felt for a generation to come.

BAAL.

The Golden Age had ended. The earth was wrapped in the murky gloom of the Ice Age—that great winter when snow and ice were piled upon each other, like Ossa on Olympus, until the glaciers covered the mountain-tops. Cold and dismal days followed nights of pitchy blackness, for the sky was curtained with a perennial pall of vapor. Fire was a sacred thing, and esteemed more precious than life or honor. So holy was it that we find, long after the occasion for constantly guarding it had passed away, that it was deemed the highest honor for the daughters of patrician families to be chosen as priestesses to keep the sacred flame ever alive within the temples. There came a day when the clouds rolled away, and to the wondering eyes of the people, who had heard of his splendor from their fathers, who had in turn heard of it from their', the sun appeared in his majesty. Hope, which had been as dead in the human heart, awakened to new life. The reign of the Ice King was ended; the worship of the Sun-god began. Such in brief is the story gathered from a hundred myths.

Whether the above gives a correct account of the origin of Sun-worship, it has at least the merit of interest and probability. Sun-worship at a very remote age was the religion of the greater part, if not all, of the human race. We find it in India, Persia, Egypt, Phœnicia and in all the countries of Europe—including the British Isles—in America, and it was probably this cult of lost Atlantis. Later, the Sun became personified as Baal, and Bible students need not be reminded of the fact that for centuries there was a struggle in the Hebrew nation between the worship of God and that of Baal. It will be remembered that the Prophet Elijah waged a successful contest against the Baal-worshippers. The story of the fire-test is well known. The orgies attending that famous incident at Mount Carmel suggest the Tamanawis ceremonies of our Coast Indians. The four hundred and fifty prophets of Baal worked themselves into frenzy, slashing themselves with knives as they besought Baal to send a flame upon their altar, while Elijah stood alone, mocking their impotent ravings. But when Elijah prayed "the fire of the Lord fell from Heaven," and the wood for the sacrificial fire on his altar, though thrice soaked with water, was consumed and so was the water which filled the trench round about it. In the light of what may be called the suggestions of modern investigation less faith is required to accept this story as substantially true than was needed twenty-five years ago; but the reference to it is not to raise any question on this point, but to show what this Baal-worship was which the Jehovistic worship of the Jews supplanted.

Baal-worship was, therefore, Sun-worship—a pure materialism, but, as might be naturally expected, its absolute lack of any principle of individual responsibility led to its degenerating into grossness and sensuality. The Baal-worshippers achieved some of the most remarkable triumphs of merely material art that the world has ever seen. Perhaps it may be truthfully said that their work in this respect has been without a rival. The vast pyramids of Central America, the massive temples of Peru, the splendid architecture of Babylon, bear evidence to the skill of the followers of the Sun-god. On the other hand, the indescribable orgies and excesses which characterized Baal-worship were in their way as remarkable as the temples in which they were practised, and were themselves only the culmination of a social condition, which knew no law but that of brute force and no pleasure except those of the grosser senses. It was from a world sunk in these depths that Abraham was called of God to be the founder of a nation, the corner stone of whose polity was the existence of a Deity superior to yet immanent in material nature.

But the Jehovistic revival under Abraham was not the only effort on the part of humanity to rise above the grossness, if greatness of Baalism. Buddha in India, Zoraster in Persia, Confucius in China are conspicuous instances of leaders who sought to impress upon their fellows that there are more worthy ambitions than to keep up material evidences of power, better principles of action than the mere gratification of self. It remained, however, for Christ to put the motive for human action upon the highest possible plane, by subordinating the material wholly to the spiritual. He who said "God is a spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth," described his personal condition by saying "The foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man hath not where to lay His head." A more striking contrast with the licentious luxury of the priests of Baal in their temples, whose splendor the gnawing tooth of time has not wholly defaced in more than thirty centuries, cannot well be imagined.

This necessary brief and imperfect sketch may serve to cast some light upon what the prophets of old meant when they exhorted the people to turn from Baal and worship the only true God. Baal was not a rival deity to Jehovah, as he is often described. He was the personification of the sun—that is, of the forces of nature—in which the wisdom of a bygone age thought "it perceived all the potentialities necessary for every manifestation of life," to quote the language of one of the greatest of modern men of science. Baalism accepted as proved what modern science has put forward as a tentative suggestion. This thought casts some light upon what to most persons must have seemed the apparently inexplicable stupidity of the men who built the pyramids, the temples of Luxor, the great cities of Bashan and the countless other monuments of prehistoric magnificence. These men were not worshippers of the fantastic images which they set up; they placed no value upon the orgies and the frenzies of the priests. Such things did for the ignorant masses. The ruling classes were wholly materialistic.

We get also a suggestion of this sequence of events: a Golden Age, an Ice Age, a Materialistic Age, and a Spiritual Age. There is no sharp line of demarcation between the ages. We are living in the last named, for it cannot be successfully contended that the moral obligation of individuals towards each other is the dominant factor in our modern social organization.

THE News-Advertiser speaks of the hostility of the people of the Interior to the Coast-Cariboo railway. The hostility of the opponents of this project is in proportion to their ignorance of the character of the country which the road will develop. This hostility does not extend to a road into Cariboo that will be a new feeder to the Intercolonial, or that will centre the trade of that fine region somewhere else than on the Coast cities including Victoria.

THE Columbian extends its hostility to the government, so far as to malign the Province in which it is published. We commend to our contemporary the perusal of the reports of surveyors, explorers, engineers and others who have examined the great Central Plateau. We shall have something to say upon this point in a future issue.

THE Toronto Globe in a recent review of the condition of trade speaks of the large orders from the Northwest and British Columbia as inspiring business men with a more hopeful feeling. This is another argument for Dominion aid to B. C. railways.

THE papers are making out what they think are proper lists of persons entitled to Jubilee "honors." Judging from the names we should say that the list-makers fancy that we have got back to the days of long whist, and that honors are easy.

PERHAPS if some of the opponents of what they call "the Butte Inlet" railway would learn enough of the country to know how to spell the name of the starting place of the proposed road, they would be less hostile to it.

OUR New Westminster daily contemporary complains because the COLONIST has not shown that the subsidizing of railways will pay the Province. We must correct our contemporary, for we have shown it.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

A TRIANGULATION SURVEY.

A commencement was made last summer on a system of triangulation survey in different mining districts of the province, and as far as the work has progressed it has given the greatest possible amount of satisfaction to the mining community, at least in this district. With mineral monuments established at stated intervals, and not a great distance apart, it is easy not only for a competent surveyor, but as well the ordinary prospector, to clearly define the location of a mineral claim.—Midway Advance.

DEBT UNAVOIDABLE.

This constant adding to our national debt, and its accompanying increase in our interest burden, is no doubt necessary if we are to lessen the cost of transportation of our products, open up new avenues of trade, and thus add to the material wealth and taxpaying capacity of the Dominion. There is no making an omelette without breaking eggs.—Canada Trade Journal.

SO THE "COLONIST" SAID.

It would be pleasant to have the Australian premiers and their military escorts come through this way on their journey to the jubilee celebration. We have been talking of an all British route between the Mother Country and Australia for a number of years past, and the route has actually been established; but where is the virtue in our patriotic talk or the advantage in the route itself if it be not used? If there is anything in the Imperial sentiment, here is the best opportunity of its kind that has ever offered to manifest it.—Manitoba Free Press.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"Mr. Bickers, you are unnecessarily severe in your criticism of our sex," declared Miss Kittish, after one of his characteristic tirades. "Facts will not support your statements." "I beg your pardon, Miss Kittish," replied he, "but you will yourself recall that the first woman who ever lived raised Cain."—New York Journal.

"Confound you, what are you grinning at?" asked the man who was getting himself held up. "Oh, well," chuckled the footpad, "I never was a man to take things seriously."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Herr Oil—Haf you heard dot dog of mine ate a tapemeasure undt died? Kerr Kut—I supose he died py inches, nicht var? Herr Oil—Abernit; he vent oudt in der alley und die per der yard.—Columbia Spectator.

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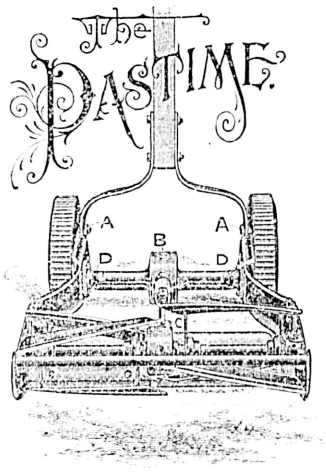

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MR. GEORGE CARTER will address a men's rally of the Y.M.C.A. this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The Y.M.C.A. popular concert has been postponed to Tuesday.

IN explanation of the cost price of locally manufactured cigars, mentioned in Friday's issue, it may be stated that $11 is the lowest rate per thousand which the union wage scale recognizes.

AN ambiguity having crept into the first clause of the Bicycle by-law, Mayor Redfern, in order to make the matter clear, gives notice that he will at the next meeting of the council introduce an amendment thereto.

AN excellent programme of varied entertainment was that provided in the A. O.U.W. hall last evening in benefit of the High school fund. The attendance, though there were so many counter attractions, was fairly good, and everyone enjoyed the bill of fare provided.

IN R. Porter & Sons' stable, Fisgard street, on Friday evening an unfortunate accident happened to George Tyson, a driver of the firm. He was cleaning his horse in the stall when suddenly he fell at the horse's feet and was trampled on, his face and hands being badly cut.

MADAME GENEVRA JOHNSTONE BISHOP, the eminent lyric and oratoria soprano, who is now in San Francisco under engagement to sing at the great festival held in that city this week, is to shortly visit Victoria. With her is Miss Nellie Cook, a graduate of the Leipsic Royal conservatory and Imperial conservatory of Vienna.

A MEETING of executive and members of the Capital Lacrosse Club will be held at 44 Fort street to-morrow evening to consider the appointment of standing committees. Already a great deal of new blood is coming into the club, and the prospects are that a strong team will be selected to represent Victoria during the coming season.

THE Garrison Quadrille Club, R. E. and R.M.A., concluded the season's festivities by giving a dance to their many friends on Friday night in the racquet court, at Work Point. Refreshments were served at midnight, after which dancing continued until 3 o'clock, when the revellers, joining hands, rendered "Auld Lang Syne" in a good, hearty style, an end thus coming to a most enjoyable season of entertainment given by the club.

THE Victoria Cricket Club has obtained the use of the Caledonia Park, and it is hoped that members will turn out in force on Saturday afternoon next when a practice game will open the season. The first league match is fixed for May 15, therefore all members should at once get into form so that a strong team can be selected. Those wishing to join the club are also reminded to send in their names at once to the honorary secretary. The club has secured the services of Bob. Foster as groundman.

FRIDAY was red letter day with the Sons and Daughters of St. George. Upwards of 120 of the order in celebration of the anniversary of its patron Saint, congregated in the A.O.U.W. hall in the evening, and after dining together danced until an early hour yesterday morning. The supper provided was a very elaborate spread, in which the characteristic roast beef was very conspicuous. The music for the occasion was supplied by the Marine Artillery mandolin band. An address was given by W. H. Price, the president of the society, which touched on several topics of public interest. He stated that in connection with Diamond Jubilee celebration the society had ordered sixty oak trees to be planted in some prominent part of the city or its suburbs, and he remarked that he was pleased to hear that the suggestion for the holding of a monster thanksgiving service in the drill hall had been well received. As an instance of the enthusiasm with which the Sons of England propose celebrating the great event throughout the world, he stated that in San Francisco $22,000 had been subscribed to be spent in erecting a statue to Her Majesty. An effort is being made to band together all Englishmen in the United States, and it is believed that by so doing the membership of the order will be increased to 2,000,000.

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A PROMENADE concert by the Fifth Regiment band will mark the re-opening of Mount Baker hotel on Saturday night. It is understood to be the intention of Manager Virtue to have these concert attractions this season every Saturday as in former years.

THIS morning the I.O.O.F. hold their annual church parade. They will meet at 10:15 in the Oddfellows hall, Douglas street, and will march to the Centennial Methodist church, on the Gorge road, headed by the Fifth Regiment band and with the members of Canton Militant in full uniform. On Monday evening the society celebrates its anniversary with a grand concert and dance.

A PARTY of San Francisco gold seekers bound for the Yukon, and who arrived on the Walla Walla on Friday night, take their departure for the North with about a dozen others from Victoria on the steamer Mexico, which will be here from the Sound at 4 o'clock this morning. The others are, with few exceptions, miners from Wellington who have been in the city for several days preparing and outfitting for their Northern expedition.

Two thousand five hundred and odd ten cent pieces represented the sum total of the box office receipts at the drill hall last evening. Including complimentaries there were over 2,600 tickets of admission. The magniscope was the great attraction, and the new scenes shown were the cause of much merriment. The great fire scene of course met with the heartiest applause; not, however, that more attention was paid to the "extra" than to the band concert itself, for the programme last night was a particularly meritorious one.

A MEETING of the Victoria District Fruit Growers' Association has been called by the executive to be held in the Cedar Hill schoolroom on Tuesday evening. The object of the meeting is to formulate plans for the carrying out of the society's intentions in regard to arrangemnnts made for using a portion of the city market building as a place to handle fruit on the co-operation principle. It is the intention of the society to commence business during the first week of May and in its work the association, which now numbers over 40 members, will be in harmony with the central provincial fruit exchanges.

AN unfortunate female, whose reason has become affected, was given in charge at the city lock-up last evening by the provincial police. The arrangements for this class of temporary occupants of cells have undergone much improvement of late, for yesterday almost as soon as the patient was given a cell there was a matron in attendance—a trained nurse who has had thorough experience in such cases in the old country. Comfortable quarters have been provided for the nurse and the padded cell is available for violent cases. The patient who was taken in charge yesterday is quite docile and will be forwarded to the institution at New Westminster by this morning's boat.

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Short Sketch of the Eastern Divines Who Will Succeed Rev. S. Cleaver.

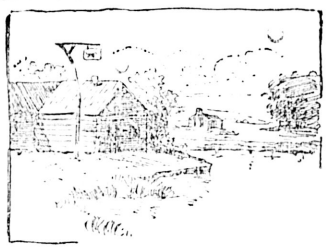
Two talented Eastern ministers of the Methodist church are at this time about making preparations for their departure for their new scene of usefulness out here in British Columbia. These gentlemen are the Rev. J. C. Speer, of Broadway Methodist church, Toronto, who has accepted a call to the Metropolitan Methodist church of this city, and the Rev. Geo. F. Swinerton, Jr., of the same city, who is to act as assistant in the pastorate of the Pandora avenue tabernacle.

Rev. J. C. Speer has occupied the Broadway church pulpit in Toronto for the last four years, and during his pastoral charge of the church the membership has grown steadily, until now it is said to have the largest Methodist congregation of any church in that city. Mr. Speer was born in Peterboro county in 1854 and began his education in the public schools of Ontario. At the age of 15 he began his studies for the ministry as the result of the special services then being conducted by Rev. N. S. Burwash. His first sphere of labor was Manitoulin Island and covered an area of 50 miles by 30, having fifteen preaching appointments. Two years were also passed by Mr. Speer in Montreal, where he took the S. T. L. course at the Wesleyan Theological college under Rev. Dr. Douglas, as well as a special course at McGill University. In 1885 Manitoulin was again the field of Mr. Speers' labors, where he remained two years, having in the meantime married Miss Harriet Robinson, youngest daughter of Mr. Samuel Robinson, of Burgoyne, Bruce county.

As a lecturer of ability the reverend gentleman has earned an acknowledged reputation, which in addition to having won distinction as a minister, will in a measure enable him to replace the loss which the Metropolitan will experience when the pastor, the Rev. Solomon Cleaver, takes leave of his present charge.

Last year Mr. Speers was elected chairman of the central district, and is the youngest man ever elected to that position; he is also vice-president of the City Ministerial Association of Toronto.

Of Mr. Speer's prospective assistant, it may be said that he is a young men of commanding presence and unusually gifted as a pulpit and platform speaker. He was born in Georgetown, British Guiana, his father, Rev. Geo. F. Swinerton, sr., being a Wesleyan Methodist minister and a missionary in that country. While still in his infancy Mr. Swinerton and his parents returned to England, where, residing in a Methodist minister's home, he was trained in all the experiences of the itinerant system. After receiving an education at the college for Methodist ministers' sons, Woodhouse Grove school and Kingswood school, religious work in connection with the church as a local preacher was taken up by Mr. Swinerton while still in his teens. Regular appointments were allotted to the subject of this sketch so soon as he had passed the necessary examinations, and Yorkshire was the scene of his labors for about two years. Mr. Swinerton came to Canada in 1890, and shortly afterwards he occupied an Ontario circuit, near Woodstock, removing to Third church, St. Catharines, and Fonthill, at each of which places one year was spent. October, 1893, witnessed his entry upon his arts and divinity course, and he has pursued for the four years last past arts studies in the honor courses of political science and philosophy, as well as completing the theological requirements of the conference for ordination. During this time it has been Mr. Swinerton's habit to supply at various times pulpits in different churches in Toronto and the vicinity. The chair of editor-in-chief of the Victoria college paper has been one of the minor engagements which have occupied the talents of the assistant pastor, as well as the presidency of the Epworth League of the Central church in Toronto.



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NAVAL AND MILITARY.

Ottawa Government Will Appoint an Officer to Represent B. C. at London in June.

Lieut.-Col. Gregory has been advised that the government will appoint one officer from the Fifth Regiment to represent British Columbia on the Diamond Jubilee regimental staff.

Vice Admiral H. F. Stephenson, C.B., will relieve Vice Admiral Lord Walter Kerr, K.C.B., in command of the Channel squadron, on the 27th of May. Vice Admiral Stephenson will take as his flag captain Prince Louis of Battenberg.

Lieutenant Charles Edwin Collard, Royal Marine Light Infantry, formerly of H.M.S. Royal Arthur, has been promoted to the rank of captain.

The Broad Arrow of April 4 says: "Canadian participation in more direct form in imperial defence is rapidly assuming definite shape. An arrangement, it is said, has now been made by which a company of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Infantry will exchange duties for six months at a time with a company of the Imperial Regular Regiment which is quartered at Halifax, Nova Scotia. This is a step in the right direction, and will, it is to be hoped, prove to be another link in the mutual chain which binds Canada to the mother country. It may also help to solve the problem of the restoration of the old 100th Regiment to its native soil. The fact that Halifax is still an imperial garrison may still further simplify the problem. Very shortly a battalion of the Royal Canadians will be quartered there, and a special effort should be made to raise recruits for it in Canada."

In connection with the articles in the Broad Arrow, the interchange has already taken place, as a company of the Royal Berkshire Regiment proceeded from Halifax, N.S., to Fredricton, N.B., on the 2nd instant.

It is understood that Commander Sir Robert Keith Arbuthnot, Bart., Royal Navy, is coming here on his way home to England, on his promotion from the China station. He was torpedo lieutenant here on the Warspite, and will probably remain here a week.

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Desires to correct a false impression which has gained circulation, to the effect that he intends removing from Victoria. Such is not his intention, and his patrons—all who require dental work in any of its branches—will find him as usual at his parlors in the Adelphi Building. ap21

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

The next Medical Examination of the British Columbia Medical Council will take place in Victoria, commencing at 10 o'clock on TUESDAY FORENOON, the 4th May next.

Full particulars by applying to
W. J. McGUIGAN, Treasurer, Vancouver, or G. L. MILNE, Registrar & Sec'y. ap21

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Underwriters Appreciate the Services of Captain and Officers of the Steamship "Strathnevis."

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The officers who were aboard the steamer Strathnevis during her erratic wanderings about eighteen months ago in the North Pacific ocean, for 74 days or thereabouts, after having lost her propeller while en route from Victoria to the Orient, have been handsomely rewarded for their services, as shown by the following letter clipped from a Hongkong paper:

LLOYD'S 16th January.

Captain J. Pattie.

DEAR SIR:—We have the pleasure of handing you check for £255 (to be divided as annexed) which has been subscribed by the underwriters as a token of their high opinion and appreciation of your and your officers' services in endeavoring to bring your disabled steamer Strathnevis into port under very exceptional circumstances. The underwriters have retained £35 to purchase a watch for you, or any other article which you may suggest as a more enduring record of your exertions. They are also sending £30 each to the third officer and the purser, who are now in China.—We are, dear sir, yours faithfully,

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Second engineer, A. Bell	10
Third engineer, L. Culter	10
Fourth engineer, J. Love	10
Check herewith	£255
Third mate, A. B. Bain	30
Purser, R. McDonald	30
Watch for captain	35
Amount subscribed	£850

BACK FROM THE COAST.

At 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon the C.P.N. steamer Tees, Captain Roberts, returned from the West Coast with the following passengers: Captain C. Hackett, A. McInnes, A. J. W. Bridgman, A. Sarreault, J. J. Baird, W. Blackstaff, W. J. Holden and E. A. Huggard. As freight the steamer had the initial shipment from Ahousett of 18 or 20 boxes of smoked codfish, the preparing of which for the market is a new industry which Messrs. Hackett and Stapleton are embarking in at the point named, with every indication of success. The Tees brings news of three of the sealing fleet—the Pioneer, Captain Baker, who was reported at Clayoquot with a catch of 602 skins (the best yet heard of); the Sapphire, with a reported catch of 430; and the Ainoka, which was met at Uclulet with 440. The steamer also brings news of the wreck of the little three-ton fishing sloop Grit off Cox's point, Clayoquot sound, on the 9th inst. She was driven ashore in a gale, and everything aboard, save a few paltry articles, was lost. Her crew consisted of two men only, and one of these, the captain and owner, who only last year built the Grit for the halibut business, came on to Victoria on the Tees. The men's names were: Captain A. McInnes and Richard Stone.

"COQUITLAM'S" REPAIRS.

Two more weeks will have passed before the Union Steamship Company's steamer Coquitlam, now undergoing repairs at the Star ways, will be in a fit condition to resume her Northern service, which she had just inaugurated at the time of her accident. The steamer's bottom shows sadly the marks inflicted in her contact with the rocks. About 70 feet of her keel was left in such a jagged and broken condition that it will have to be replaced. Two or three plates amidships were also badly torn and are being renewed; and several holes here and there about the bottom require patching, while bruises appear in large number. Now that the steamer is in the hands of mechanics, her owners have decided to increase her cabin accommodations, fitting her to a better purpose for Northern trade.

THE 'FRISCO BOATS.

Early morning and evening visitors of the Pacific Coast fleet were in port yesterday—the ships Walla Walla and City of Puebla. The former's northern trip was greatly prolonged by unfavorable weather. She brought 24 cabin and 21 steerage passengers and 139 tons of freight for Victoria. The Puebla had when going South in the evening about 250 tons of freight, including 175 tons of Chinese merchandise that arrived from the Orient by the N.P. steamer Victoria, and the following saloon passengers: P. G. Dickenson, W. P. Sherman, Mrs. G. L. Courtney, Mrs. S. J. Dene and child, K. V. Munro, Mrs. H. Cuthbert, Miss Clifton, Mrs. J. E. Gardiner and Miss Goodwin.

NEW TARIFF THE CAUSE.

According to the P. I. the Northern Pacific Steamship Co. has chartered the steamer Mount Lebanon, formerly of the Portland-Asiatic line, to carry a cargo of freight from the Orient. She will leave Hongkong April 25. The steamer may load a return cargo of lumber. It is stated that there is an unusual rush of freight from Asia to the United States just now, for the reason importers wish to get as much of the goods now coming this way into the United States before the new tariff bill shall be made effective. The freight now brought by steamers from the Orient consists principally of matting, rice, sugar, raw silk and mixed Chinese supplies.

MARINE NOTES.

The B. G. steamer Quadra is back from a cruise among the gulf lighthouses, and will be leaving port again early next week for the West Coast.

To-day the C. P. N. steamer R. P. Rithet relieves the Princess Louise on the Victoria-Westminster route, and the latter will now lie up for a while. The Rithet's overhaul is only just complete, and among the improvements made on her is a new smoke-stack.

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TO THE RESCUE!

A Woman Champion Rushes to Defend the Feminine Demand.

TO THE EDITOR:—In reply to an article, published in your issue of to-day, by J. S. H., permit me to correct several points which are misleading. The writer evidently does not give the two thousand women who have petitioned the legislative assembly for the parliamentary franchise the credit of having been controlled by any nobler motive than "a fad." It is true that woman has peculiar duties given to her by nature and the conditions of life, viz., the care of home and children. To a true woman nothing can come before this, and it is of vital importance to her that the best legislators be elected, that the best laws be enacted for the protection of this home and these children. It is feared by the writer of the article that should women be enfranchised it will be the occasion of discord and disruption in the home, as well as lead to neglect. In reply permit me to say that the interest which touches woman most closely next to home is her religion, and yet who would say that she should have no voice nor interest in spiritual matters because she and her husband may agree to differ on theological questions, then why on political questions? Again it is said that if women became enfranchised she may become less gentle and refined, but neither casting her ballot nor gaining greater intelligence upon political questions could possibly have this result. As elections are conducted at this day it is no more demoralizing to women to cast a ballot at the provincial election than at the municipal elections, which she now does. In New Zealand, New South Wales and in several states of the United States these, with many other arguments against the enfranchisement of women, have been proved untrue. Nearly all in these countries admit, even those who were opposed to the passing of the measure, that the introduction of women into politics has proved beneficial. In this province the franchise has been given to male foreigners who reside here long enough to become naturalized, though perhaps they can neither read nor write nor speak one word of English, and yet the mothers, the wives, the sisters of our most intelligent citizens children of our own Empire are considered either unworthy or incapable to exercise this privilege and are placed side by side with felons, Chinamen and idiots. Is it fair? Is this just?

J. S. H. next says that it is feminine for the women to petition for the franchise because it is the Diamond Jubilee. Is it feminine to ask for the extension of the hospitals because it is the Diamond Jubilee of our Queen, or for a monument to Burns? I trow not. And so the women plead on behalf of their enfranchisement, the wonderfully wise and beneficent reign of our gracious Queen Victoria, a reign surpassing that of any other sovereign in the British empire in commercial prosperity, in the extension of political privileges and the moral and intellectual improvement of her subjects. When we compare the growth and prosperity during the last 60 years of little Hanover, whose salic law allowed only a male sovereign to reign over her, with the growth and prosperity of Great Britain, we are glad that our empire has not been trammelled by such a restriction during all these years, and that Queen Victoria was allowed to ascend the British throne in 1837. Her Majesty's subjects are this year vieing with each other in establishing some lasting commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee of our sovereign's reign. We are anxious that British Columbia shall, if possible, excel the rest of Her Majesty's domains in this effort. What greater compliment, we ask, what more generous appreciation could this legislative assembly, as the representatives of this province, show of the value and high estimation placed by them upon the wonderful work and prosperous reign of this remarkable good and womanly Queen, than by giving to her own sex the privilege of the franchise showing that by her public and private life she has so convinced them of the capability of woman without neglecting home or children to understand and appreciate the political questions which are of interest and importance to her country. In honor to her as a woman, in honor to her as their Queen, take from her sex, from the women of this province the stigma which has been so long upon them and allow them the right to go with their husbands and brothers to the polls and cast their ballot. Let this legislature be honored, and let it so honor this province that it shall be the first of the provinces of the Dominion to shake off the chains of prejudice and time, and say by their legislation whatever the women of the rest of Canada may be, the women of British Columbia are sufficiently intelligent and capable, and ought to be allowed to use the franchise.

M. G.

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THE CITY CHURCHES.

The Order of Divine Worship in the Temples During the Day.

Confirmatory Services and Communion for the First Sunday After Easter.

At 8 o'clock this morning holy communion will be celebrated at Christ Church cathedral; at 11 there will be matins and sermon by Rev. Canon Beanlands, and in the evening there will be a shortened form of evening service, to be followed by the administration of confirmation by the Bishop. The music for the day is as follows:

MORNING.

Organ—Coronation Anthem	Handel
Te Deum—Woodward	Smart & Toule
Hymns	133, 140, 137
Organ—Processional March—"Naaman"	Costa

EVENSONG.

Organ—Eloquence	Sydney Smith
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittus	Chants
Hymns	134, 157, 135, 137
Concluding Voluntary—Sonata da Camera No. 1	Dr. Spence

Allegro
Romanza
Allegro Maeslose.

Holy communion will be celebrated in the forenoon at 8 o'clock in St. James' and morning prayer followed by the ministration of confirmation by the Bishop of the diocese at 11; Sunday school at 2:30 p.m.; baptismal service at 3:45, and evening prayer and sermon at the usual hour.

Rev. Percival Jenns the rector will conduct the usual Sunday services at St. John's church to-day. The music provided for the two services is as follows:

MORNING.

Venite and Psalms	As Set
Te Deum	Woodward and Smart
Benedictus	Dykes
Hymns	135, 146, 302

EVENING.

Psalms to Chants	As Set
Magnificat	Bernby
N. Dimittis	Monk
Hymns	498, 23

At St. Barnabas, corner Cook and Caledonian avenue, for this the first Sunday after Easter, there will be the celebration of the holy eucharist at 8; matins and sermon at 11; Sunday school at 3; festal evensong with sermon and processions at 7 p.m.; Rev. J. B. Haslam being the preacher for the day.

Holy communion at 8 a.m.; morning service at 11 a.m.; and at 7 p.m. evening service, is the brief announcement of the order of the day's worship at St. Saviour's church, the pastor, Rev. W. D. Barber, occupying the pulpit.

Bishop Cridge will this morning discourse to the congregation of the Church of Our Lord on the theme "The Grave-clothes of Jesus." In the evening Rev. Dr. Wilson has chosen for the subject of his sermon "The Groaning of Creation."

This evening a special programme of music will be given in St. Andrew's cathedral, in which Mr. Clement Rowlands will take part. The programme is as follows, after the sermon:

The Valley of Shadows.....O. M. Barry
Mr. C. Rowlands.
Ave Verum—Solo and chorus...Le Prevost
Miss McNiff.
Regina Coeli.....Witwark
Choir.
Tautum Ergo.....Rossini
Choir.
Laudate—Ciregarian.....

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered to communicants at the Victoria West Methodist church in the morning, and after the evening service the quarterly love feast will be held; Rev. J. P. Hicks, the pastor, being at home with his congregation for the day's services.

The pulpit of Knox church, Spring Ridge, will be occupied by Rev. A. B. Winchester this morning at the usual hour of service.

Rev. J. C. Forster will as usual conduct the exercises of worship in St. Columbia's, Oak Bay, this evening.

At the Centennial church the pastor will preach a sermon on the "Exaltation of Character" to the Odd Fellows. In the evening Miss Bowes will preach an anniversary sermon for the Ladies' Aid Society of the church on "Women's Work in the Church." Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p.m.

Rev. T. J. McCrossan, pastor of the James Bay Methodist church, exchanges pulpits this morning with Rev. P. C. L. Harris, who will conduct the service at this church in the forenoon. In the evening the pastor will commence a series of addresses, having "Ruth" as the subject.

The following announcements are made for the Congregational church, Temperance hall, Pandora avenue: 11 a.m., sermon by Rev. T. J. McCrossan, of James Bay Methodist church; 7 p.m., the pastor, Rev. P. C. L. Harris, will preach. The choir will sing W. J. Kirkpatrick's sympathetic hymn, "Bear ye one another's burdens." Sunday school and Bible class meet at 2:30 p.m. Y.P. S.C.E. meets at 8:15 p.m.

At St. Andrew's Presbyterian church the music for to-day is as follows:

MORNING.

Andante commoto	Spinney
Anthem—"The eyes of all"	Clare
Psalm	145
Chant	264
Hymns	27, 134, 143

EVENING.

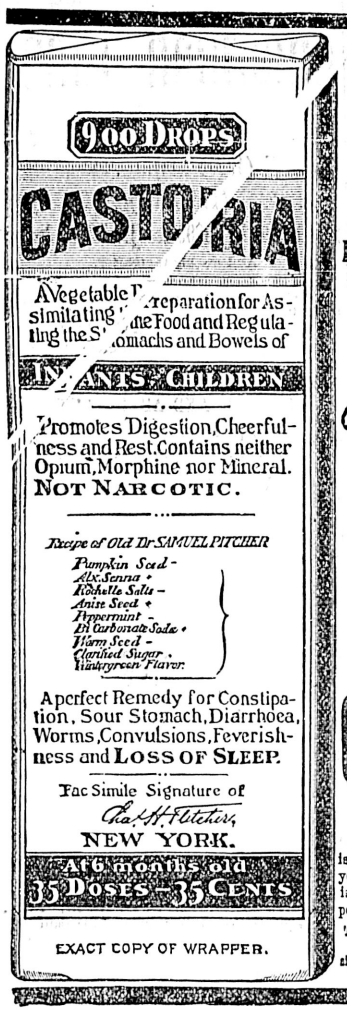
Largo	Handel
Anthem—"Trust in Him"	Simper
Soprano solo and chorus	
Tenor solo—"If with all your hearts"	Mendelsohn
Psalm	111
Chant	257
Hymns	1, 246, 75

"Israel's first battle" has been selected by Rev. T. A. P. Frost for the subject of his address at the morning service to-day at Emanuel Baptist church. The pastor will preach in the evening on "God's apparent dilemma." The evangelistic services will be continued during the present week, a song service being held daily at 7:45 p.m., Rev. Mr. Frost preaching.

Baptist Mission, Burnside road—Service at 7 o'clock. Subject for to-night, "The three stepping stones."

German Lutheran services will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Kurtz, of Seattle, in the schoolroom of the R. E. church at 11 o'clock this morning.

Theosophical Society, 28 Broad street (Williams building). Public lecture at 8:15 p.m. Subject: "Death."



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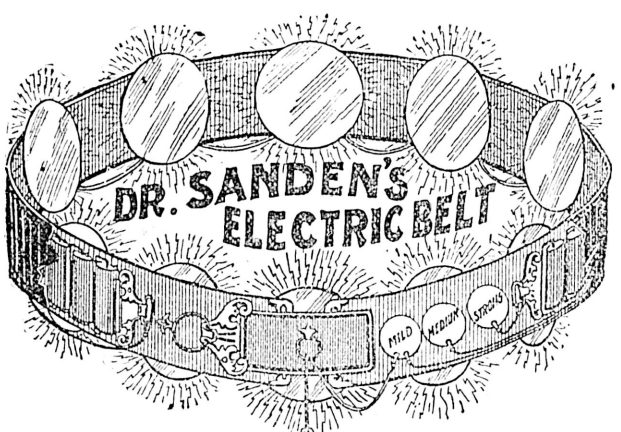

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"The Belt I received from you some time since has proved to be all you recommended it to be, and I take pleasure in recommending it to my friends. I would like to get another for my brother. Please send No. 6 by express, C.O.D. S. J. GRAHAM, Rossland, B.C. March 3rd, 1897."

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NOTICE.

TO PROVINCIAL LAND SURVEYORS.

HIS HONOUR the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has been pleased to make the following rules and regulations with reference to the survey of Provincial lands and mineral claims:—

1. All surveys shall be personally made by duly qualified Provincial Land Surveyors.
2. All surveyors shall use the departmental field book and paper, and at the bottom of each page of the field-notes shall be entered the date and signature of surveyor.
3. The original field-notes shall be accompanied by an affidavit in the subjoined form.
4. All surveyors must promptly carry out the instructions of the Department in respect to the character and amount of information to be furnished in the field-notes, and at all times be ready to make such corrections and apply such additional data as seems expedient for the complete checking of their work in the field.
5. The Department will invariably exercise the right of refusing to accept surveys not made in accordance with the above regulations, and also will refuse to accept as satisfactory any and all surveys made by a surveyor who has been guilty of repeated infractions of the preceding rules.

G. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department.
Victoria, B.C., 15th April, 1897.

SURVEY OF PROVINCIAL LANDS.

Affidavit.

I.....of.....a duly authorised Provincial Land Surveyor for the Province of British Columbia make oath and say as follows:—

(1.) I have surveyed.....

(2.) I commenced the said survey on the.....day of.....189, and completed it on the.....day of.....189

(3.) I personally ran all the lines of the said survey on the date set out in the annexed field-book marked A.

(4.) The notes contained in the field-book are a correct representation of the work done on the ground by me.

Sworn before.....
.....
.....
.....Provincial Land Surveyor.

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.
Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.
On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.
Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:
Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.
One-half of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.
Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.
Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.
Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH.
Assessor. and Collector.
January 2nd 1897. ja12

COURTS of Assize and Nisi Prius, and of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery, will be holden at the places and on the dates following, viz:—

City of Nelson, on Monday, the 21st day of June, 1897.
Town of Donald, on Monday, the 28th day of June, 1897.

By Command.
JAMES BAKER.
Provincial Secretary.
Provincial Secretary's Office,
23rd March, 1897. mr26

NOTICE.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Reservation placed on Crown Lands, situated at Frederick Arm, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette, and dated 1st November, 1895, is rescinded, in so far as, but no further than, it relates to a certain parcel of unsurveyed land which may be approximately described as follows:—Commencing at a point on the shore of the north end of Frederick Arm, situated about half a mile west of the entrance to Estero Basin; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains, more or less, to the shore line, and thence east, following the shore to the place of commencement containing 160 acres, more or less

GEO. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 7th April, 1897. ap9

"Land Registry Act."

In the matter of the application of Maurice Humber, of the City of Victoria, for a certificate of indefeasible title to subdivisions five (5), ten (10) and eleven (11), Topaze avenue, Victoria city, being part of section five (5), Victoria district, (Map 5), and to lots one (1), two (2) and three (3), block T, of the Work Estate, being part of section four (4), Victoria District.

Notice is hereby given that a certificate of indefeasable title to the above lands, will be issued to Maurice Humber on the 10th day of July, 1897, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein, or in some part thereof

"S. Y. WOOTTON,"
Registrar General.
Land Registry Office,
Victoria, B. C., March 31, 1897. ap1

SCAVENGERS

ED. LINES, General Scavenger 236 Yates street.—Yards, etc., cleaned. Orders left at Geo. Munro's, 89 Government street; Speed Bros., corner Douglas and Fort; or Blair & Gordon, corner Menzies and Michigan, will be promptly attended to. de8

TARIFF CHANGES.

A List of All the Chief Alterations That Have Been Made.

It Shows What Advances or Reductions There Are on Staple Articles.

Below will be found a list of the chief changes that have been made in the tariff:

Mining machinery, whether manufactured in Canada or not, has been placed on the free list.

Duty on spirits increased 15 cents per gallon.

Corn placed on the free list, except when imported for distilling; flour reduced from 70 to 60 cents per barrel; wheat reduced from 15 to 10 cents per bushel; cornmeal reduced from 40 cents per 100 pounds to 25 cents, and right to import corn in bond to grinders abolished, as it has given rise to much complaint on the part of the trade. No change will be made in the duty on cleaned rice, but the raw material is changed from 3-10 to 3-4 cent.

Coal oil is reduced 1 cent.

Regarding the coal duty, Mr. Fielding said he hoped the government would in the end reduce the duty to 40 cents, if the Americans will allow theirs to remain at 40 cents. At present it is not advisable to make the reduction. In case the American tariff is retained at 75 cents, the duty on bituminous coal will be raised to 75 cents, with the rate on anthracite coal as well.

The iron duty is reduced on pig, wrought and scrap.

Skates are changed from 10 cents per pair and 30 per cent. to 35 cents.

Hay knives and other agricultural implements and shovels, from 35 per cent. and 25 per cent. to 35 per cent.; mowing machines, binders, ploughs, portable engines and sawmills from 30 per cent. and 20 per cent. to 25 per cent.; barbed wire fencing, 15 per cent. to January 1, free thereafter.

Lumber and timber, manufactured, from 25 per cent. to 20 per cent.

Glucose or grape sugar, glucose syrup, and corn syrup, from $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ cents per pound.

Raw sugar is unchanged; the duty on refined is advanced 14-100 of a cent.

Tea is unchanged.

Collars of cotton lined celluloid, from 24 cents per dozen and 25 per cent. to 35 per cent. Cotton fabrics, printed, dyed and colored, from 30 per cent. to 35 per cent.; grey and bleached cottons, from 22½ per cent. and 25 per cent. to 25 per cent.; cuffs, from 4 cents per pair and 25 per cent. to 35 per cent.; shirts, from 25 per cent. and $1 per dozen to 35 per cent.; velvet, velveteens and plush, from 30 to 35 per cent.; laces, braids, fringes, embroideries, handkerchiefs and table cloths, from 30 per cent. to 35 per cent.; cotton sewing thread and crochet cotton on spools, 25 per cent.; cotton sewing thread and handkerchiefs, bleached or unbleached, from 12 to 15 per cent.; manufactures of hemp, jute and flax, from 20 to 25 per cent.; shawls, travelling rugs, from 25 to 30 per cent.; women's and children's dress goods, coat linings, alpacas, cashmeres and quilts, from 22½ to 15 per cent.; socks and stockings, from 10 cents per dozen pairs and 35 per cent. to 35 per cent.

Cut tobacco, from 45 cents per pound and 12½ per cent. to 50 cents and 12½ per cent.; manufactured tobacco and snuff, from 35 cents per pound and 12½ per cent. to 45 cents and 12½ per cent.

Buttons, from 4 cents per gross and 20 per cent., and 8 cents gross and 20 per cent., to 35 per cent.

Cloths for mackintoshes, from 12½ per cent., to 15 per cent.

The excise duty on spirits is increased from $1.70 per proof gallon to $1.90 per proof gallon.

The duty on cigarettes, which is now $1.50 per thousand, is increased to $2.

On foreign raw leaf tobacco, unstemmed, there is a duty of 10 cents per pound, and stemmed 14 cents per pound. At present it is on the free list.

Binder twine, from 12½ to 10 per cent. After 1st July, 1898, this article will be placed on the free list.

Builders' hardware, upholsterers' harness-makers' and saddlers' hardware, including carriage hardware, locks, hinges and saws and table cutlery, from 12½ to 30 per cent.

Tools of all descriptions from 35 to 30 per cent.

Files and rasps from 35 to 30 per cent.

Firearms from 20 to 30 per cent.

Gas, coal oil and electricity fixtures, from 27½ to 30 per cent.

Buckthorn and strip fencing of iron or steel, from ½ cent per pound to 25 per cent.

Cast iron vessels, plates and irons, from 27½ to 25 per cent.

Cast iron pipe, from $10 to $8.

Boiler tubes, from 7½ to 5 per cent.

Screws, from a variety of specific rates and 30 per cent ad valorem to 35 per cent.

Tacks, from 1 cent per thousand and 1½ cents per thousand to 30 per cent.

Wire nails, from 1 cent per pound to 35 per cent.

Forgings of iron and steel, from 35 per cent to 30 per cent.

Iron and steel hoops, bar iron or steel, from $10 to $7. Iron in pigs and scrap iron, from $4 per ton to $2.50.

Rubber belting, from 32½ to 20 per cent.

Patent and enamelled leather from 22½ to 25 per cent.

Cement from 40 cents a barrel to 12½ cents per 100 pounds.

Plate glass from various specific duties to 30 per cent. ad valorem. Silvered glass from 27½ and 32½ to 30 per cent.

German looking-glasses from 17½ to 20 per cent.

Crude petroleum, fuel and gas oils, other than naptha, benzine and gasoline, for use for fuel or for manufacture of gas, from 3 cents per gallon to 2½ cents.

Paraffine wax from 2 cents per pound to 30 per cent.

Olive oil prepared for salad purposes from 30 to 20 per cent.

Sulphuric ether from five cents per pound to 25 per cent.

Acid phosphate from two cents per pound to 25 per cent.

Compound preparations from 50 per cent. to 35 per cent.

Lubricating oils from six cents per gallon to five cents per gallon.

Printed music from ten cents per pound to 25 per cent.

Books not being foreign reprints of British copyright works or Bibles, prayer books, psalm and hymn books or blank books, from six cents to 20 per cent. ad valorem.

Advertising pamphlets, show cards, illustrated price lists, fashion plates, chromos and works of art, other than those done by hand, from 6 cents per pound and 20 per cent. to 35 per cent.

Newspaper supplements from 25 per cent. to 20 per cent.

Medical wine of more than 40 per cent. alcohol, $1.50 per gallon. This is a new item.

Musical instruments, including organs and pianos, from 20 per cent. and 35 per cent. to 30 per cent.

OPINIONS DIFFER.

Millers Are Pleased But Iron Men Feel Gloomy.

TORONTO, April 24.—(Special)—The regular annual meeting of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association has been called, to be held here on Wednesday, May 5, for election of officers and for discussion of tariff matters.

MONTREAL, April 24.—(Special)—The Conservatives here appear to be better satisfied with the tariff than the Liberals, the free trade section of the latter being completely in the dumps. Cotton people were more than pleased until the collector of customs received a telegram from Ottawa that the reduction on British goods would go into immediate effect, and the tune of the cotton kings was then materially changed. The sugar refiners have no doubt been hardly dealt with, and the reduction of refined from 64 cents to 50 cents will render competition against Germany bounty fed sugars almost impossible. Iron men are also badly hurt, and Pillow, Hersey & Co. intimate that they will have to close up some of their departments. The rice manufacturers are wiped out and as a result the trade has advanced the price of rice ⅜ths of a cent, saying that the imported rice will cost one-half cent per pound in excess of the old mill prices. Millers, however, are well pleased.

IT SAGGED.

New York Market Seemed to Have "That Tired Feeling."

NEW YORK, April 24.—The dullness of trade continued to-day and the market sagged. The closing quotations were: C. B. & Q., 71⅝; C. & O., 16⅝; C. M. & St. P., 71⅝; W. U., 79⅜; C. P. R. in Montreal, 49; C. P. R. in London, 50⅝.

Wheat—No. 2 red, May, 82¼ to 82¾, closed 83⅜; June, closed 82½; July, 80¾ to 82¼, closed 82; September, 77½ to 79, closed 79; December, 78⅞ to 80½, closed 80½.

Copper, easy; lake brokers, $11.25. Pig iron, slow; Southern, $10 to $11; Northern, $10.50. Lead, steady; domestic, $3.12½. Tin, easy.

CHICAGO, April 24.—Leading futures closed as follows: Wheat, No. 2 April, 76⅞; May, 76⅞; July, 76¾; September, 73⅞.

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connecction with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

LOTS OF 25X120 FEET Are now selling in the Townsite as at present laid out at prices from **$250 to $550.** These lots run about 14 to the acre.

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OF THE FUTURE PROSPECTS Of the District, but few words are necessary. Three Lines of Railway are projected to and through this property. The Spokane Falls & Northern are reported to be ready to build in the spring; the Columbia & Western Line, as may be seen at the Lands and Works Office, is projected through the land; The People's Line from the Coast also passes this point, and the C.P.R. Surveyors have run lines through the land during the past year.

A POWERFUL MINING & SMELTING CO. Report their intention of building a **500-Ton Smelter** in the close proximity of this land, and the owners have been applied to for a site for this purpose. Such an industry is warranted from the fact that the Great Volcanic Mine, said to be the largest deposit of copper gold ore now known, purposes to smelt the product of their mine at this point. The Projected Roads make it the most convenient receiving and shipping point, and a leading Bank is said to be about to open an Agency, as the employment of the requiaed labor will circulate a no small sum of money each month.

Maps of the District, Subdivision Maps, etc., can be seen and all information as to Prices and Terms obtained on application to

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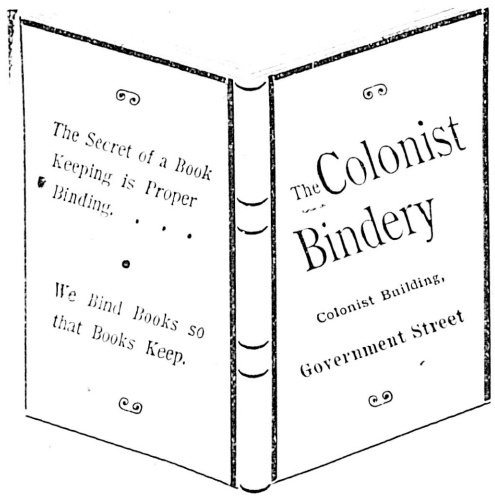
In the Matter of the Winding Up Act and Amending Acts, and

In the Matter of the British Columbia Fire Insurance Company.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the order of His Honor William Norman Bole, local Judge, made herein on the 13th day of April, 1897, William Denny, the Official Liquidator of the above-named Company will on Wednesday, the 28th day of April, 1897, proceed to distribute all the assets of the above Company in pursuance of the terms of the said order without further notice, unless in the meantime cause be shown to the contrary to the satisfaction of the Judge and any party or parties objecting to such distribution are hereby required to file written notices stating the grounds of their objections properly verified with the District Registrar at Vancouver, B.C., not later than twelve o'clock noon on Monday, the 26th day of April, 1897.

Dated this 13th day of April, 1897.

WILSON & CAMPBELL,
ap15 C Solicitors for the Official Liquidator.



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THE THERMOMETER.

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Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	43·	Mean 48·	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	39·		
9 a.m..	52·	Highest 59·	5 a.m.—Calm.
1 p.m..	56·		1 p.m.—S S.E.
5 p.m..	52·	Lowest 39·	9 p.m.—Calm.
9 p.m..	45·		Rain—.00. Fair. Sunshine—8 h 54 m

Barometer 9 a. m.... {Observed .... 30.415 {Reduced..... 30.393

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Per steamer CHARMER from Vancouver—A Dunsmuir, Jas E Boyd, Misses Dunsmuir, D McKay, Capt Broadhurst, W Templeton, A Aheffild, Miss Godson, Mrs Moxon, G C Shaw, H J Brady, R Beauchamp, Saml Sherk, W R Wilson, G Janer, Mr Bissell, Geo Fletcher, W H Given, Miss Smith, I C Stewart, John Hart.

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HOYLE-VINE—On Wednesday, 21st inst., at Centennial Methodist Church, by Rev. J. F. Betts, Jas. A. Hoy, of Cobble Hill, to Lottie A. Le Vine of New York.

DIED.

KIRSOP—On Friday, the 23rd inst., at his residence 164, Chatham street, George Kirsop, a native of Newcastle-on-Tyne, at the age of 77.

Funeral will leave his late residence at 2 p.m. Monday next, and from the R. E. church half an hour later.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

CHROW—At 18 Scoresby street, Victoria, on Saturday, April 24, 1897, John Gordon, infant son of J., and E. M. B. Chrow, aged 8 months and 10 days.

Funeral from above address to-day (Sunday), at 2 p m.

FOR DESIGNS AND ESTIMATES for Family Monuments and other kinds of Cemetery Work see T. Bradbury, Cormorant street, corner Blanchard Street.

PERSONAL.

R. T. Daniel, of Trail, B.C., is a guest at the Driard.

Dr. McKechnie, of Nanaimo, is paying the Capital a visit.

Mr. H. T. Porter, of Wellington, is spending a few days in town.

Walter Oaks, of the N.P.R. at Tacoma, is registered at the Driard.

A. Dunsmuir and the Misses Dunsmuir have returned from a trip to the Mainland.

Mrs. G. L. Courtney and Mrs. Rispen were passengers last night for the city by the Golden Gate.

Mrs. Sillitoe was a passenger on the Kingston yesterday, and is the guest of Mrs. Hanington.

Kenneth Munro, of the Bank of B. C. staff in this city, left on a holiday trip to California last night.

Mrs. Herbert Cuthbert and Mrs. J. V. Gardiner have left for the Sunny South, being passengers outwards by the San Francisco steamer last night.

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COAST-KOOTENAY LINE.

Alderman Stewart Will Ask for a Location Survey of the Railway This Season.

During the mutual explanation and recrimination attendant upon the introduction of the two wordy resolutions presented to the council a few weeks ago, anent the Coast-Kootenay railway, Alderman Partridge gave it as his opinion that both emanated from the same individual—an ex-alderman. At all events he said he had to confess that his own resolution had so emanated and he was morally certain that Alderman Stewart's (the proposer of the other resolution) had a similar origin. Be this as it may, the city hall bulletin board is again decorated with a full length reiteration of "whereas's" and "therefore's" in full round characters. It reads:

"That whereas the people of Boundary Creek have petitioned the local government to dispense with either the $400,000 bonus or the land grant to the Penticton-Boundary railway, and have urged the immediate construction of the Coast railway; and whereas the government have agreed to so deal with the matter of the $4,000 per mile or the said land grant; therefore, be it resolved, that this council respectfully point out to the local government, in view of their not being called upon to expend the above, the necessity for the immediate undertaking by the local government of a location survey from the city of Vancouver and Point Roberts simultaneously, and in the absence of a strong and reliable company offering to undertake the work of construction in the ensuing season, that the government, before the prorogation of the present session has passed, shall commence construction at Vancouver and Point Roberts simultaneously, and urge forward the first sixty or more miles of the road to Chilliwack, so that the residents of the coast cities may be assured, as a fact, that the Coast-Kootenay road will be constructed with all possible speed and the benefits that are now ripe secured for British Columbia."

THE Daughters of Rebekah are requested to meet at the A.O.U.W. hall at 2:30 o'clock to-morrow afternoon, to assist the committee in charge of the evening entertainment in its arrangements for the same. They are also reminded to bring cake and flowers.

A PARTY of thirteen tourists under the leadership of C. F. Chandler, of Boston, arrived from the Sound on the City of Kingston yesterday morning, and spent the day driving about the city. They have been "doing" the coast cities from San Francisco north, and make a start for their homes, in New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Buffalo, on the City of Kingston this morning. The party, which have made the Driard their temporary home, is the first Raymond-Whitcomb excursion to arrive in the city this season.

AUGUSTA OBSTROM-RENARD, who is to appear in Institute hall on May 3 and 4, is a vocal artist of the very first rank, being a singer who commands attention of the most critical in whatever she is heard. She is first a musician and then a singer, and in her vocal work she displays with faultless taste and consummate skill the result of these combined qualifications for the concert stage. Her voice has the brilliancy of a true soprano, with the richness of a mezzo. It has been most thoroughly and artistically trained, and exhibits the true method in use.

ON Thursday evening at the A.O.U.W. hall, Mr. R. Hutchison will exhibit for the first time in this city his cathode ray machine. He some months ago manufactured the electric tramway which was on exhibition in the window of Henry Saunders. On Thursday he will introduce several of Nicola Tesla's high frequency electrical experiments. Part of the cathode ray apparatus is now on exhibition in Cochrane's drug store, and pictures which have been taken by the apparatus are on view in different windows about the city. In connection with the electrical exhibition Mr. F. M. Kelly will introduce an original tramp act; the Serenade Mandolin Club will also be present, and it is safe to say will maintain the reputation it has already sustained in the city.

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" Rosalie..... " " "
" City of Puebla.... " " "
" Walla Walla..... " San Francisco.
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" Evangel..... " Port Angeles.
" City of Nanaimo.. " Nanaimo.

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" Walla Walla..... " " "
" City of Puebla.... " San Francisco.
" R. P. Rithet..... " N. Westminstr.
" Evangel..... " Port Angeles.

Bank Exchange Menu.

Sunday, April 25, 1897. 50 cents.

SOUP.

Mulligatawny. Olympian Oyster.
Bouillon a la Royale.

RELISHES.

Radish. Watercress. Green Onions.
Dill Pickles.

FISH.

Boiled Halibut, family style
Fried Oolachans, Tartar Sauce.
Brook Trout to order.

BOILED.

Leg of Mutton Caper Sauce.

ENTREES.

Goose Liver Patties, Chicken Fricassee.
French Green Peas, Game Cutlets, Mushrooms,
Madeira Sauce, Salmi of Duck, Onions.

SALADS.

Shrimp Mayonnaise.

ROAST.

Prime Ribs Beef, Horseradish.
Stuffed Turkey, Cranberry Sauce.
Russian Reti and Jelly.

VEGETABLES.

Cauliflower. String Beans. Carrots.
Boiled, Mashed and Browned Potatoes.

DESSERT.

Lemon Jelly. Orange Pudding. Custard Sauce.
Apple, Gooseberry and Rhubarb Pies.
Glass of Beer or Wine, Tea or Coffee.
Assorted Fruits and Nuts.
Imported and Domestic Cheese.

Big line of gents fine boots and shoes from $1.50 up. At Marks, 109, 111 Government street. x

Fine serge suits, sizes 36, 44; only $3.50. At 109 and 111 Gov't st. x

Mining Companies' office stationery a specialty at the COLONIST office. x

Extra fine black sateen; also fine flannelette shirts, regular price $1; only 50c. At the workingmen's store, 109 and 111 government street. x

STRAUB HANGED.

Blakely Island Murderer Meets Death on the Gallows.

Straub, the Blakeley island murderer, was hanged at Friday Harbor, San Juan county, to-day (Friday) at 11:15 o'clock. Sheriff Newton Jones had made minute preparations for the event, but awaited the arrival of the mail steamer for Seattle to give the condemned man a last chance, but as no reprieve was received, the death penalty was paid.

R. H. Straub was convicted of the murder of Leone Lanterman on Blakely island, August 30, 1895. The participants in the tragedy were Straub and Irving Parberry, and Lanterman, Mrs. J. C. Burns and R. H. Blythe. The place of the killing was at the Burns farm, where Lanterman and Mrs. Burns, who were brother and sister, and Blythe, who is their half-brother, were at work. They were in the field digging potatoes, when Parberry appeared and began abusing them and using indecent language. Lanterman and Blythe started toward Parberry, but after they had gone a short distance Straub jumped up from behind a log, drew sight with his rifle and said: "I'll fix you." At this he fired, the ball penetrating Lanterman's waist and the lower part of the stomach. Straub then saw Blythe who had been not far behind and to one side of Lanterman, and a shot was fired at him. Blythe fell, but was unhurt, although it is probable that Straub thought he had hit his mark, as he turned on Mrs. Burns, and, chasing her, fired several shots, one taking effect in her shoulder. Blythe had regained his feet during the confusion, and was making for the brush, when Straub opened fire on him with a rifle and young Parberry emptied a revolver at him, but he reached the brush without injury and escaped, Mrs. Burns also escaping. While Mrs. Burns and Blythe were being pursued Lanterman attempted to get away. He reached and crawled over a fence, but fell exhausted.

On his return Straub noticed Lanterman's disappearance, and from the footprints in the earth it was evident that he trailed him to the fence, and, standing on the opposite side to where Lanterman lay, shot him twice in the head. Mrs. Burns, suffering from the painful wound in the shoulder, made her way more than a mile through the timber to the home of a neighbor, Theodore Spencer, and gave the alarm.—P.I.

POSTAL CONGRESS.

Changes That Germany Will Propose at the Washington Conference.

BERLIN, April 24.—The principal innovention which Germany will propose at the international postal congress in Washington will be the raising of the letter weight from fifteen to twenty grammes. This is supported by France and Belgium, they being the two main transit countries who would lose largely thereby, as the fees would not be released within the increased weight and increased work. In fact Germany proposes to remit entirely the transit fees hitherto paid to those countries. On the other hand the proposals to raise postal money orders up to a thousand francs ($200) and to reduce the fees therefor, as well as to increase postal packages to five kilos, are looked upon as certain to be accepted.

ENORMOUS.

A Quarter of a Million Bushels of Corn on One Tow.

DETROIT, March 24.—The steamer John Glidden and the tows Aberdeen, Minah and Warmington which passed down at Port Huron with grain cargoes, have the largest quantity of grain ever made up into one tow for Lake Ontario. The total is 226,000 bushels of corn for Prescott, Ont.

BOUND FOR CONFERENCE.

Father of the Methodist Church on His Way West.

WINNIPEG, April 24—(Special)—Rev. Doctors Potts and Carman, of Toronto, are here to-day, on their way to attend the British Columbia Methodist conference.

Foodle Dog Menu.

Sunday, April 25, 1897. 50 cents.
From 9 to 5 p.m.

SOUP.

Purie of Crecy. Veal Broth. Consomme.

FISH.

Boiled Halibut Anchovy Sauce.
Fried Oolachans, Tartar Sauce.

SALAD.

Lobster Mayonnaise Russian Salad.

ENTREES.

Sweet Bread Patties.
Lobster Croquettes, Tomato Sauce.
Calves Head a la Tortue.
Chicken saute, French Peas

ROAST.

Island Turkey, Cranberry Sauce.
Leg of Lamb Mint Sauce
Prime Ribs of Beef.

VEGETABLES.

Asparagus Sweet Corn. Green Peas.
Boiled, Mashed and Baked Potatoes.

DESSERT.

English Plum Pudding, Brandy Sauce.
Ice Cream.
Pine Apple, Rhubarb and Cocoanut Pies.
Canadian and French Cheese, Cakes.
Nuts, Raisins, assorted Fruits.
Glass of Beer or Claret.
Coffee Noir.

Every part of a Rambler is specially made for Rambler bicycles. Weiler Bros. x

English garden trowels at Cheapside. *

Art muslins, sateens, table linen, towels, bath wrappers, etc., at Weiler Bros. x

ANGLERS—See our window for fishing tackle. Flies and casts a specialty. Examine our stock, at Fox's, 78 Government street. x

Will be found an excellent remedy for sick headache. Carter's Little Liver Pills. Thousands of letters from people who have used them prove this fact. Try them

Type Writers. THE "EMPIRE" Latest and Best. Half the Price of Others. The name of the manufacturer is a guarantee of its quality. Agents wanted. THE WILLIAMS MFG. CO., LTD. MONTREAL, P.Q.

Don't Rack Your Brain!

In figuring how you are going to clothe your family, but come direct to us and we will assist you in solving the problem. Our stock of Men's Suits is larger than ever before and our prices, well, come and see. Serge suits, $3.25, size 36 to 44; All-wool Serge suits, $5.75; Men's Tweed suits, $5.00 up; Boys' suits all sizes and qualities. Bicycle suits, Sweaters, Bicycle hose, from 75c. up to $1.50; best value in the city.

We have made a hit on Hats this season. We bought in large quantities from the Manufacturer; no jobbers' profits to pay. Would you believe that we bought over one hundred doz. Hats for the Spring trade, probably not; but we did, and we are selling them, too. Just think! fine Felt Fedoras at $1.75, $2.00, $2.25. We have some higher priced at $2.50, $2.75 and $3.00. John B. Stetson's Hats always the same, $5.00.

We decided at the beginning of the year to increase our business to turn over more goods. The more goods we buy the cheaper we get them. If we buy cheap, we can sell cheap. That is what we propose to do.

Gilmore & McCandless,

35 & 37 JOHNSON STREET,

COLD FACTS FOR BUSINESS MEN.
—THE—
Provident Savings Life Assurance
Society, of New York
Had a loss of business in 1895 of $1,210,117
And in the year 1896 a furtherloss of 1,640,238
—also—
Loss of Surplus in 1895..... $ 51,586
Loss of Surplus in 1896..... 712,518
A parallel to this is scarcely to be found in the annals of insurance.
Its Total Assets in Canada are only $64,393.

HERE IS A SAMPLE CIRCULAR

Sent anonymously through the mails, and aptly illustrating the methods adopted by rival agents to divert business from the hands of the Provident Savings Life, *whose solidity they cannot deny; whose advantages to the insured they cannot parallel, and whose business methops they cannot impugn.* These agents with whom blackmail is preferable to argument, are content to tell the public half a truth. Here is some further information:—

As to the Loss of Business.

The history of the insurance companies throughout the world show fluctuation in the prosperity of every company, and these continual changes cannot be taken by any intelligent man as detracting from the reliability and advantages of any company whose security is ample and unchallenged by the government, and whose methods are beyond the criticism of its enemies. As an example take the Canadian business of the New York Life, the Mutual Life and the Provident Savings Life:—

CANADIAN BUSINESS.

NEW YORK LIFE—Net amount in force, 31st December, 1895	$20,626,514 00
" " " Net amount in force, 31st December, 1896	21,782,848 00
Increase in Canada	$ 1,156,334 00
MUTUAL LIFE, OF NEW YORK—Net amount in force, 31st December, 1895	$18,582,692 00
" " " " Net amount in force, 31st December, 1896	17,801,671 00
Decrease in Canada	$ 781,021 00
PROVIDENT SAVINGS—Net amount in force, 31st December, 1895	$ 3,449,698 00
" " Net amount in force, 31st December, 1896	3,731,377 00
Increase in Canada	$ 281,668 00

Does anyone for a moment believe that because the Mutual Life had a decrease of business in Canada last year, it is an unreliable company?

AS TO SURPLUS.

Here are few more figures which speak for themselves, the companies selected being two of the most active American companies, and probably the best known of Canadian companies. Students of insurance will note the change in surplus of these three large and certainly reliable institutions. To the Canada Life is due this explanation: In order to make its policy holders more secure, the management changed their reserve from 4½ to 4 per cent., thus increasing the security to policy-holders though decreasing their surplus. The figures in regard to the two other companies may perhaps be equally capable of explanation—the varying proportions of surplus have in fact absolutely no bearing on insurance solidity, unless mismanagement or dishonesty be the cause. And even the most active and bitter of the traducers of the Provident Life have never dared to impute such errors to its officers.

				Decrease.
CANADA LIFE—Surplus 4 per cent	(1893)—$ 2,707,845	(1894)—$ 2,458,438		$ 249,407
" " "	(1894)— 2,458,438	(1895)— 662,281		1,796,157
NEW YORK LIFE— " "	(1883)— 7,496,909	(1884)— 6,960,171		536,738
" " "	(1886)— 12,263,902	(1887)— 11,846 793		417,109
MUTUAL LIFE— " "	(1889)— 16,292,542	(1890)— 15,922,891		369,651
" " "	(1883)— 6,466,607	(1884)— 5,999,945		466,662
" " "	(1886)— 7,760,834	(1887)— 7,532,887		229,947

In further explanation of the point attempted to be made in this connection, Mr. E. W. Scott, president of the Provident Life, writes as follows:

To the Agents of the Society:—

GENTLEMEN,—We are sending you a supply of the Annual Statement of the Society for the year ended December 31st, 1896. I need not call your attention to its many points of strength; the increase of $110,627 in assets, the high ratio of assets to liabilities, and other features that make it on the whole a thoroughly satisfactory report of the condition of the Society.

On comparing this document with that of the year preceding, you will observe a decrease in the surplus. I want you to know why this is.

Many of you understand that during the past few years the former management offered to policy-holders in several portions of the country new policies in exchange for those they held of a form which had been discontinued.

In 1896 alone there was nearly $7,000,000 of these old forms thus exchanged.

When we consider that without exception all policies on the substituted forms were necessarily subject to a reserve charge by the Insurance Department, much higher than the policies they were substituted or exchanged for, it is easy to understand that the total reserve liability of the Society was correspondingly increased, thus bringing the net surplus to the lower figure. You will observe that there has been no diminution in the Society's assets, but on the contrary an actual and material increase. There has simply been a transfer of that portion of the surplus rendered necessary, as I have shown you, to meet the added liability. Yours Truly, (Signed) E. W. SCOTT.

"Its total assets in Canada are only $64,393," say the anonymous enemies of the Provident Life. They do not inform the public that in proportion to liabilities the Provident Life leads all American and Canadian companies doing business in the Dominion. Here is a little table which escaped their observation; it shows the standing of the several companies doing business with Canadian insurers, in proportion of assets to liabilities.

Canada Life	107
Mutual Life of New York	114
New York Life	117
PROVIDENT LIFE	137

It is also well for the Canadian insurer to remember that the adequacy of the security provided by all companies doing business in the Dominion is left entirely in the hands of the government.

Honest facts and figures for the consideration of honest men interested in insurance, will be gladly furnished at any time.

S. H. MATSON, Manager for British Columbia.

The Provident Savings Life Assurance Society.